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1. Firing practice of tanks was observed at an artillery range northeast of STORBECK (N 53/Z 49) on 12 and 13 June 1949. Three "T 34" tanks at a time were maneuvering in wedge formation. The foremost tank would open the fire with high-explosive shells at targets about five thousand feet away. All three tanks would then move ahead about a thousand feet, and the tank echeloned to the right would start firing. Eight officers and about twenty-five EM arrived on truck from the direction of NEURUPPIN (N 53/Z 49) in the afternoon of 12 June 1949.

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2. Comment:

a. It is known from other information that the troops from the NEURUPPIN military post (component units of the 12th Gds Tank Div) held maneuvers in the woods north of the town in early June 1949.

b.
the tanks holding firing practice at STORBECK in mid-June 1949 presumably belonged to the 12th Gds Tank Div.

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